

| | | | | | |
|---|---|----|---|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Substitute for Form 1449 A & B/PTO | | | | Complete if Known | |
| <u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</u> | | | | Application Number | Not Yet Assigned 10/736,235 |
| | | | | Confirmation Number | Not Yet Assigned |
| | | | | Filing Date | December 16, 2003 |
| | | | | First Named Inventor | Shigeo NOJIMA |
| | | | | Art Unit | Not Yet Assigned 2861 |
| | | | | Examiner Name | Not Yet Assigned Hai Pham |
| Sheet | 1 | of | 1 | Attorney Docket Number | Q78921 |

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Foreign Patent Document | | | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Translation ⁶ |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | | Country Code ³ | Number ⁴ | Kind Code ⁵ (if known) | | | |
| HCA | | JP | 10-55890 | A | 02-24-1998 | | Complete |
| | | JP | 11-198433 | A | 07-27-1999 | | Complete |
| | | JP | 2000-77188 | A | 03-14-2000 | | Complete |
| | | JP | 10-12377 | A | 01-16-1998 | | Complete |
| | | JP | 2000-323276 | A | 11-24-2000 | | Complete |
| | | JP | 2001-18441 | A | 01-23-2001 | | Complete |
| HCB | | JP | 2000-353594 | A | 12-19-2000 | | Complete |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|
| Examiner Signature | Hai Chiphawn | Date Considered | 5/16/06 |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov, MPEP 901.04 or in the comment box of this document. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.